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BLUE RIBBONS GALORE - Each year a good many of the commercial growers of our area enter the competition at the OREGON STATE FAIR in Salem, Oregon. We are pleased to report that for the fifth year in a row SWAN ISLAND DAHLIAS won the coveted SWEEPSTAKES AWARD, with a total of sixty-one prize winners out of sixty-three entries. EVERY VARIETY OFFERED ON THIS PAGE WON AT LEAST ONE BLUE RIBBON, WITH SOME WINNING TWO AND EVEN THREE AWARDS. IVORY GIANT won twice as the best white entry, as well as being one of six varieties in a combination entry which won two first place awards. TARTAN won both as the best three bloom bi-color entry as well as for the best 18 bloom bi-color basket entry. GREAT SHOW won three blues, twice for the best three bloom autumn colored entry, and once as the NEWEST AND MOST PERFECT DAHLIA IN THE SHOW. Our own FRANCES S. won in the straight cactus classification, and AMI LOUIS BLIN collected a blue ribbon in the dark red class. AUTUMN BLAZE also won three blues, twice in the informal decorative class, and once for the LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT DAHLIA IN THE SHOW. LAVENDER PERFECTION continued its great record as a champion with two blues in the formal decorative class. VARGAS GARDNER won in the second judging as the LARGEST AND MOST PERFECT DAHLIA IN THE SHOW. (Another bloom of Vargas Gardner also placed second.) For sheer magnificence and perfection, these varieties are unsurpassed. If you want blue ribbon quality dahlias either for exhibition or for your own amazement and pleasure, order this PARADE OF CHAMPIONS COL-LECTION today!

TARTAN (B ID). 7" to 8" maroon and white (illustrated). AUTUMN BLAZE (A ID). 12" flame. LAVENDER PERFECTION (A FD). 10" to 12" lavender pink. VARGAS GARDNER (A ID). 12" cream, lilac shadings. (Complete descriptions pages 18-19)

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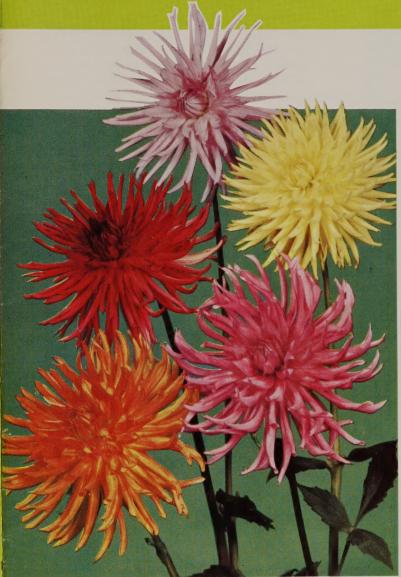


IVORY GIANT (A SC). 10" creamy white (illustrated). AMI LOUIS BLIN (A SC). 10" to 12" dark red. FRANCES S. (B-A StC). 7" to 8" fuchsia rose. GREAT SHOW (A SC). 10" to 12" apricot bronze. (Complete descriptions pages 5-6)

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Two years ago we featured these collections on the covers of our catalog. The varieties pictured here had just helped us win the 1956 SWEEPSTAKES AWARD. In 1957 and 1958 they continued to add to their laurels as prize winning dahlias, with many more ribbons being won in their respective classifications. Whether you exhibit dahlias or not, this super-quality selection will bring beauty and personal satisfaction to your gardening hours. Start with the best for best results! Every tuber carries our famous SWAN ISLAND quality guarantee.

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Selected Cactus Dahlias

 $SC-Semi-Cactus;\ StC-Straight\ Cactus;\ IC-Incurved\ Cactus.\ A-8"$ and over; B-4" to 8"

ABBOTT (B StC). This low growing 3' bushy dahlia has fine habits. Flowers are dark red and average about 6". Good for cutting. Pictured	C	ORONA (B SC). 6" flowers are a very soft apricot yellow with a golden enter. Good cutflower. 6' bush	.75
on page 10		YGNUS (B StC). A very nice white cutflower in a straight cactus. The $^{\prime\prime}$ flowers are held erect on long stiff stems. 6 $^{\prime}$ bush. Pictured page 7.	1.00
chade. Heavy blooming. Has taken many prizes on the show table. 4' bush	5 a	ANSEUSE (B IC). Soft light pink with some golden tones. Very dainty and graceful, reminding one somewhat of a smaller and darker Berger's Assterpiece. 6" flowers on 5" bush. Early and free blooming. Pictured	
AMI LOUIS BLIN (A SC). Here is a large one! 10" to 12" very dark red flowers are borne in profusion on tall 6' bush. Blue ribbon winner at the Oregon State Fair again this past fall	0	n page 7	1.00
ATOMIC (B SC). 6" white cutflower with a lilac shading in the center during cool weather. 5' bush. Top for best results	, s	ı delicate lilac shade and for its size it holds up quite well when cut. 1½' bush. Pictured on page 4	1.00
AUTUMN LIGHT (B SC). 6" flowers are an apricot with salmon pink	c	POGE (B SC). A fine orchid lavender cut flower. The 6" flowers are arried well on good stiff stems. 5' bush	.50
undertones. Heavy blooming cutflower type. 5'	d	DUANE FLEGEL (B SC). 7" to 8" wine red easily grown to "A" size with lisbudding. Be sure to top this bush for best results. Good show flower. "bush	2 00
dant on a 4' bush and will last up to a week when cut		DUDINE (B SC). One of the new frilled petal tip dahlias. Delicately	
seen. The color is a very delicate shading of light pink and white changing to soft yellow at the base of the petals. Each petal tip is split, giving an overall "fluffy" appearance to the flower. The 6" flowers	5	haded mauve pink with lighter center. 6" blooms have nice long stems. 5' bush	.50
hold up very well when cut. 5' bush. Best when disbudded 2.5	50 c	abundance on a 3' bush. Very striking garden plant	.50
BEAUTE (B SC). 6" clear yellow flowers on a 5' bush. Delicate and graceful. Pictured on page 10	75 6	EDNA D (A StC). (Pictured on page 4.) Large 9" to 10" bright red. 5" bush. Toward the end of the blooming season the stems are prone o bend with the weight of the bloom. Very heavily ordered	
7". The graceful incurved form is appealing to everyone. Very long, stiff stems on 6' bush. Pictured on page 7		ESPRIT (B SC). Much admired orchid with mauve undertones. 6" flowers teep well when cut. 5" bush	.75
BERTHA SHONE (A IC). Certainly deserving of its blue ribbon awards.	1	FAIR MAID (B StC). Can be grown to "A" size early in the season. Very pretty coral pink with yellow undertones. 6' bush	
The 10" blooms are light lavender pink with a creamy white center. The tips of each petal are split, and with their natural incurved form the blos-	i	FAITHFUL (A SC). 10" to 12" pure white. Good blooming habits. 6'	
soms attract a great deal of interest. 4' bush. Stock limited 1.5		FIGARO (A SC). 9" to 10" yellow flecked with red. 5' bush. Very	1 00
BESTSELLER (B SC). 6" to 7" bright orange scarlet, usually slightly tipped with gold. Vigorous 6' bush. Early blooming improvement on the older variety Carnaval	- 4	triking dahlia	
BLACKBIRD (B IC). Another yearly blue ribbon winner. The 7" to 8" blooms are a very deep black red and are held erect on long cane-	ĺ	keep well when cut. Loads of blooms on the 5' bush. Sometimes comes open centered, especially in the heat	1.00
like stems. Good cutflower. 5' to 6' bush. Stock very limited		FRANCES S (B to A StC). 7" to 9" fuchsia rose deepening to a rich glow- ing center. Awarded "Best Oregon Introduction" and "Best American Introduction" in Portland during Northwest Dahlia Conference 1956.	
shows	00	Blue ribbon 1958 State Fair. Being our own introduction, we are very proud of its achievements. We advise topping this one. 5' bush	1.00
BREMA (A SC). New 10" red with real merit for the show table. Excellent stems, with flowers full and deep. 5" bush	00	FRESCO (A StC). (Pictured on page 4.) We are pleased to say Fresco won 2 blue ribbons for us again this past fall. The 9" flowers are a deep rosy pink with golden undertones. Petal tips are deeply fimbri-	1
CAPTIVATION (B St). 7" bronzy red blend. 4' to 5' well branched bush with many flowers. A good one	00	ated, giving it an overall frilled appearance. Heavy blooming and ex- cellent keeping qualities when cut. 5' bush	
CARNAVAL (B StC). A 1953 Challenge Cup winner for the best Dutch novelty. The color is a bright red with the tips of each petal touched with yellow. 7" flowers are very abundant on a 6' bush. Good cutflower.		GARDEN JEWEL (B IC). 6" to 7" apricot yellow, low 3' bush. Early and free flowering. Pictured on page 15	.75
Pictured on page 3		GENERAL EISENHOWER (A IC). A very popular scarlet red. The flowers are very large and have extremely spiny petals. Early blooming and	ł
this year, with many awards to its credit. True incurved form, with an extremely spidery appearance, 7" rich purple flower on a rather low 3"		a good cut flower. Blue ribbon winner. 5'. Blooms can be grown to 9". GIANT OF BAARN (A IC) 10" to 12". Huge flowers have a good form and a bright vermilion red color with salmon hue. Long stems with flowers	1
bush. A "must" for the dahlia show exhibitor! Pictured page 7 1 CASPER LUDWIG'S MEMORY (A StC). This old standard still wins in		dand a bright vertilities the color with same fine followering for such a large dahlia. 5' bush. Blue ribbon 1958 Oregon State Fair. Pictured on page 4	9
competition! 9" dark red on one of the longest and strongest stems ever known. Excellent cutflower. Tall 6' bush with many flowers	.50	GIANT SPIDER (A StC), Well named dahlia! Large 9" to 10" spider, bright carmine red with salmon undertone. Keeps well when cut. 5'	y
CLARION (B StC). The salmon red flower reminds one of the old Aristocrat, but flowers are somewhat larger, averaging 6" to 7", and it also withstands heat better without fading. Extra heavy blooming. 5' bush. Pictured on page 7	00	GOLDEN HEART (B SC). 6" flame red and gold (pictured front cover) Reports still come pouring in from all over the world about the awards this dahlia won in 1958. One of the few varieties to win two major prizes a	s t
COCKTAIL (B StC). Beautiful 6" to 7" buff yellow with split petal tips.		the Portland Dahlia Society show, and a big winner for us at the Oregor State Fair. Disbudded blooms are almost "A" size and are truly mag nificent! No modern up-to-date dahlia garden is complete without it	- -
season. Vigorous 6' bush. A real addition to this color and class 1. COMMANDANT CATRY (B IC). Outstanding new orchid purple with a		Well branched 4' bush, with plenty of flowers early and late. A very good cut flower	. 2.00
white center. Normal size 6" to 7", but disbudded blooms almost reach "A" size and have great depth and body. Distinctly different and a magnificent new dahlia. 6'. Pictured on page 7	.50	GOLDEN RECTITUDE (B IC). 6" rich orange with golden hues. Good for cutting and exhibition. 6' bush	. 1.00
CONSTANT PERMEKE (A IC). 8" blooms are a very dark red. The stems are excellent with loads of flowers on the 6' bush. Holds up well when cut. 1.		GOOD EARTH (A IC). Rich pink with a lighter center. Excellent stems and an outstanding cut and exhibition variety. We think this will soon be one of the standard dahlias in everyone's garden. 5' to 6' bush	n I,
CORAL PEACH (B StC). This has been a consistently good cutflower		covered with blooms. See illustration page 15. One of the most ordered cactus dahlias at our shows this season. First blooms are 8" to 9" with later blooms somewhat smaller	d h
shade. The small 4" to 5" flowers are borne in abundance on the 6"	.50	Continued on Next Page	

SELECTED CACTUS DAHLIAS — Continued		MUSTANG (A IC). 9" light pink blooms. Petals are twisty and graceful. Very popular 5' bush	1.00
GOOD MORNING (B StC). 6" pure pink of exceptional quality. Unsurpassed for cutting and arrangements. One of our best cut flowers. Medal winner. 4' bush	1.00	NAGEL'S SOLIDITE (B IC). A very beautiful 7" rich pink incurved cactus. Excellent cutflower and very long stiff stems. One of the nicest	
$\textbf{GRACE} \ (\textbf{B StC}). \ \textbf{A very good pure bright pink 5" cut flower. 3' bush.}.$		newer pink dahlias. 6' bush. Pictured on back cover	1.00
GRANDEZZA (B IC). (Pictured page 3.) Most radiant shade of red with purple undertones. The 7" flowers are nicely incurved and make up beautifully in arrangements. 6' bush. Free flowering and long stems.	1.00	soft pink with lemon yellow shadings. Tall 6' bush. Pictured on page 4 OCTOPUS (B IC). 6" to 7" shaggy incurved light yellow. An eyecatcher in the field because of the mass of blooms. Best of stems and a good keeper	.50
GRANDMASTER BERGER (A SC). A very beautiful new dahlia, light pink with a creamy center. Strong stems with nice foliage and habits		when cut. Sure to please. Broad 4' to 5' bush. Pictured on page 7	
of growth. You'll like this one. 4' bush. See illustration page 4. Has won highest awards in Holland, France, Belgium and England	1.50	ORFEO (B IC). 6" deep glistening purple with perfect incurved form. Winner of many blue ribbons in recent dahlia shows. Unbelievably beautiful. 4' bush. Pictured on page 11	
GREAT SHOW (A SC). 10" apricot bronze on a huge bush reaching 7' or more in height. Winner of three major awards for us at the Oregon		PASTEL (B SC). (Pictured page 3.) 5" striking carmine pink. Very heavy blooming. 4' bush	.75
State Fair, including "Newest and Most Perfect Dahlia in the Show." Disbudded blooms were nearly a foot across on 5' stems! A real champion.	2.50	PATRICIA SPOLLEN (A IC). 10" burnt orange. Three blue ribbons 1958	
HELSINKI (B IC). 7" white with a pale lilac pink blush, which is accentuated in cool or rainy weather. Beautiful form and stems. 4' bush. Pic-		Oregon State Fair. 5' bush	
tured back cover. Ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair HEROINE (A SC). 9" flowers of an unusual color composed of pink	1.00	90° to 100° weather! Thin wiry stems hold the flowers well above the dark green foliage. Almost no "popped centers," with exhibition quality	
overlaid mauve, with some gold in center. On West Coast Honor Roll. Long strong stems on fine 6' bush	2.00	blooms at all times. Withstands the ravages of red spider mites extra well, too! 6" to 7" flowers on 5' bush. Flowers last a week when cut. The	
HOEK'S GLORY (B IC). Delicate 7" lilac rose. Gracefully incurved		best dahlia we have grown in this shade and class. Oregon State Fair blue ribbon winner in basket arrangement as shown on cover. Pictured	
blooms are most appealing. Long stiff stems on 6' bush HOEK'S YELLOW (B SC). 6" sulphur yellow. Excellent cut flower. Highly	1.00	on front cover	
recommended. 5' bush. Pictured on page 15		POLAR BEAUTY (B SC). 6" white cutflower. Good stems. Free flowering	
HOLLYWOOD STAR (A SC). (Pictured page 4.) A consistent blue ribbon winner. A very free flowering giant with strong stems. 10" orchid		5' bush. Pictured on page 3	
purple with slightly lighter center and reverse. 5' to 6' bush HYLAS (B SC). 6" salmon red with some gold in the center. Ideal flower	1.00	als. Sometimes comes open centered. 6' bush. Pictured on page 4 PRIG (B SC). 6" scarlet with tiny gold tips. A must for those who like	.75
formation and deep green foliage. 5' bush	.50	bright colors. 6' bush. Excellent cutflower. Picture on page 15	
IVORY GIANT (A SC). (Pictured on page 2.) A breathtakingly beautiful dahlia. We can readily understand its being awarded two Holland		PRISCILLA (B IC). 6" to 7" pure bright orange with beautiful incurved form. Winner of the Challenge Cup in Holland in 1956 as well as the	
Trial Garden Certificates in 1956. Very large 10" blooms are an ivory white and are held erect on long stiff stems. Kept as well on the show		award for the best cutflower. A perfect dahlia for autumn. 4' to 5' bush. Indeed the best orange incurved we have grown	
table as our smaller best cutflower varieties. We were proud to take two blue ribbons on it this past fall, and feel it is worthy of its awards. 5' bush. Disbudded blooms will average more than 10"	2.00	RAYONNANTE (B IC). (Pictured page 7.) Very nice 7" blooms of bronze blended with old rose. Heavy blooming. 6' bush	
JANE LAUSCHE (A SC). Large 9" to 10" rosy lavender usually tipped white. Very free blooming 5' bush. Be sure to groom this bush for maxi-		RIVOLI (B IC). (Pictured page 4.) 6" to 8" bright yellow. Excellent cutflower. Heavy blooming, 6' bush. Blue ribbon 1958 Oregon State Fair.	
mum flower size. Topping is advisable to delay blooming until fall, as the summer heat causes popped centers and deformed blooms	1.00	RODEO (A SC). A new blood red champion for the show table! Rodeo won twice for us at the Oregon State Fair against all comers of any	
JERSEY DAINTY (B StC). 6" to 8" pure white. Good cutflower. Free flowering 4' bush. Pictured on page 11		size and type in the red shades. Perfect show flower in hot or cool weather. Flowers average about 8" to 9" on 3' laterals. Vigorous	
JULIANA REGINA (A IC). A beautiful new cup winner from Holland. Large 9" to 10" blooms of orange with a salmon glow, and a bright		5' bush. Recommended without hesitation. Pictured back cover RUBATO (B SC). Light apricot orange with center blending into rich	3.50
sulphur yellow center. Excellent stems. A true Royal Dahlia to match its name. 5' to 6' bush	1.00	yellow. Perfect to use in arrangements as an accent to darker colors. Fine stems and a good cutflower. 6" to 7" flowers on a 5' bush. Free flowering. Pictured front cover	2.00
KINSUI (A SC). (Pictured page 4.) Huge 10" to 12" shaggy yellow on sturdy 4' bush. Beautiful garden plant	.50	SALMON GLORY (A IC). 8" to 10" perfect blooms of salmon apricot	
KONINGEN JULIANA (B SC). A very nice pure orange. The 6" blooms are somewhat star shaped. Excellent cutflower. 5' bush. Pictured page 3.		with a yellow center. Has made one of the best records in competition the last few years. 5' to 6' bush. Pictured back cover	
LILAS SUPERBE (B IC). (Pictured page 3.) Incurved lilac pink cactus		SILVER WEDDING (A IC). A real show champion! Disbudded blooms are nearly 12" across. Color is a creamy white with a pale lilac blush,	
with flowers so deep that they are almost ball shaped. Many plants had 50 to 75 flowers open at one time, making a real cushion of color.		accentuated in cool weather. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair in the Incurved Cactus Class. Free blooming, 6' bush	
5' bush with 5" to 6" flowers	.75	ST. THERESE (B StC). 5" light pink with white center. The favorite with	
plant as well as a good cutflower. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. 5' bush	.75	more people than any other cactus. A good cutflower. 4' bush. Pictured on page 11	1.00
MME. CLEMENTINE PAYEN (B IC). 7" light lavender blooms have a		SUNKIST (B SC). 6" pure sunkist orange on long stiff stems. Good cutflower. Pictured on page 10. 5' bush	1.00
deeper center and great depth. The gracious incurved form and delicate shading of the flower puts this one in the very popular class. 5' bush.	.75	TANGLE (B IC). 7" to 8" light apricot with lighter center. Each petal tip is split and irregularly arranged, hence its name. Entirely different	
MME. JUISSAINT (B IC). (Pictured page 3.) 6" to 8" lavender. Attractive incurved form, 5" bush	.50	and creates quite a sensation. Heavy blooming 4' bush	1.50
MME. ELIZABETH SAWYER (B StC). 6" to 8" pure pink straight cac-		TERPO (B SC). 6" bright red. Good cutflower. Sometimes comes open centered. Heavy blooming 6' bush. Pictured on page 11	.75
tus. 4' bush, early and profuse	.50	THE CARDINAL (A SC). 10" glowing red on 6' vigorous bush. Medal winner Portland Dahlia Society Show	.75
Good cutflower. 5' bush	.75	TORERO (A IC). 8" flame color with tiny golden petaloids around the center. Very unusual. 5' bush	.75
MEVR. J. SANDBERG (B IC). A very dark blood red 6" cactus. The petals are very curly and twisted. The base of the petals sometimes has tiny green petaloids. 5' bush. Picture on page 7	.75	TORNADO (B IC). (Pictured page 3.) 6" to 8" deep orange red. Flow-	
MISS ROSE FLETCHER (B SC.) 4" delicate light pink. One of our best		ers have great depth and are outstanding. Heavy blooming. 6' bush TOSTO (B SC). 4" to 5" rich reddish purple blooms on 5' bush. Very	1.00
cutflowers. Heavy blooming 4' bush	.75	good cutflower which blends well with light pink shades. Pictured page 3. TRAJECTUM (B StC). Admired by all vistors at our gardens and shows.	1.00
and always draws attention. 4' bush	.75	6" orchid blooms are held erect on wiry stems. 5' bush. Pictured page 10.	1.25
MOTHER AARTSEN (B IC). 6" bronze incurved flowers keep well when cut. Good blooming habits. 4' bush	1.00	UTOPIA (A IC). 8" carmine pink with salmon and cream undertones. 6" bush. Disbud for best blooms	1.25

VADER de LOOF (B SC). 5" deep blood red on ideal stems. First class cutflower. 6' bush. Pictured on page 15	.75
VAL ST. LAMBERT (B IC). One of the most beautiful and striking dahlias grown anywhere. A finely petaled 8" bloom with a center of rich cream brushed almost solidly with cerise pink along the outer two-thirds of the petals. 4' to 5' bush. Suggest you disbud this for greater strength in the stems. It blooms so heavily the stems soon are too weak to hold the flowers erect. Pictured on back cover	1.00
VAMPYR (A IC). 10" deep orange. Twisted petals give a pleasing form. Challenge Cup winner. 6' bush. (Pictured page 4.)	1.00
VICTORY DAY (B StC). 8" bright scarlet red, sometimes slightly notched on the petal tips. Good stems and fine cutflower	1.00
VICTORY MAID (B IC). (Pictured page 11). 6" to 8" deep blood red tipped white. Nice form and always true to color. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. This one should be disbudded for stronger stems. 5' bush	1.00
WHITE FAVORITE (B SC). 6" white. Very good cutflower. 4" to 5"	.75
WILLIAM EVANS (A IC). Huge 8" to 10" flowers with orange base and slight crimson veinings. Petals twist and curl. Flowers very deep and broad. Very unusual dahlia. Blue ribbon winner. 4' bush	1.00
YELLOW SPECIAL (B StC). 6" rich yellow. Highly recommended for cutting. 3' bush. Pictured on page 3	.75
YELLOW SPIRAL (A SC). 8" to 10" bright yellow on exceptionally tall growing bush. Petals twist and curl. 6' bush	.75
YOUTH (B IC). 6" light pink. Heavy blooming cutflower with good stems. 4' bush	.75
ZENITH (B StC). 6" deep purple with reverse of petals silver. Early and free flowering. Very popular cutflower, 5' bush	.75

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Wonderful new dahlias

Three more varieties to delight the newcomer to dahlias as well as the most exacting specialist. PERFECTOS and GOLDEN HEART were the highlights of a basket of 24 blooms winning first place at the Oregon State Fair, with GOLDEN HEART also being reported as a consistent show winner at dahlia shows all over the country. As you can see in the picture, RUBATO adds the perfect accent of color to set off the other two varieties. PER-FECTOS is one of the best "hot weather" bright red dahlias we have ever grown, with no trace of fading on the hottest days. Here in Oregon in the summer of 1958 we had almost four straight months with little or no rain and far above average temperatures. PERFECTOS performed beautifully this whole time, so we recommend it without hesitation, along with GOLDEN HEART and RUBATO for a perfect color combination.

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Here's More Cactus Dahlias

Here at Swan Island we are especially fond of cactus dahlias, and each year we try dozens of new varieties, testing them thoroughly before offering them to our customers. On this page we have included some of the best of the new cactus types, along with already proven varieties from previous years. Select yours today. Full descriptions on pages 5 and 6.



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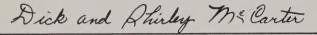
Dear Friends:

This past fall we tested over 100 new varieties. Of these we have selected only the very best to offer. The front cover of this catalog features three of these.

Good root production is a consideration for our customers, therefore, after digging last fall a number of varieties were deleted when we found they didn't measure up in this regard.

Your continued support has once again made it possible for us to win the SWEEPSTAKES RIBBON at the 1958 Oregon State Fair with 45 blue, 10 red, and 6 white ribbons out of 63 entries in competition with six growers. We sincerely hope you will enjoy sharing this honor with us again this year.

Thank you for your continued patronage.



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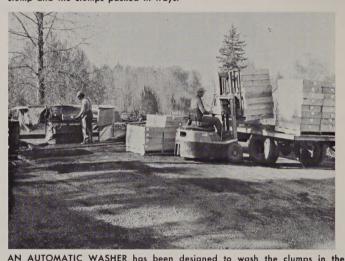
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- Please list second choices. If substitutions should be necessary, we will send varieties of equal or greater value in similar color and type.



A REGULAR DUSTING and spraying program at Swan Island Dahlia's Canby farm assures disease free stock. This begins in the early summer when the plants are about six inches high and lasts throughout the season.



DIGGING BEGINS in mid-October to assure having the crop dug before the end of November. After the tops have been mowed, the long feeder roots are cut under the ground by a plow share. Men with forks then very carefully lift the clumps out of the ground. The stalk is then cut off close to the clump and the clumps packed in trays.



trays and eliminate handling and consequent breakage. The screen bottoms of the trays allow the fine spray of water (about 200 gallons per minute) to wash the dirt from both the tops and bottoms of the clumps. After washing, the trays are hauled into our modern, specially designed frost proof basement warehouse.



DIVIDING DAHLIA clumps is a highly skilled job which takes several years to master. Women at the far end send their flats of divided tubers down on the endless belt to the women at the near end, who trim off the excess roots. Tubers are then counted into paper lined crates and stored in a 35 to 40 degree warehouse until they are reselected prior to shipping.



Top row: BETTY ANN, ALLBRIGHT, MARY MUNNS Center row: LIBBY ROHR, TAKAS YELLOW, ALICE, MORNING MIST Bottom row: PEGGY ANN, HELEN ANITA, CELESTIA

POMPON DAHLIAS

These dainty pompons (often referred to as button dahlias) are admired everywhere for their outstanding qualities as cutflowers. They produce a profusion of blooms (up to 100 on a plant at one time) averaging 11/2" in diameter on long, strong stems that last for days when cut. The more you cut them — the more they bloom! Include a few in your garden for that "cheery" touch.

40c each (except where noted)

1 each of 10 varieties pictured

ALICE. Bright red. 5' bush. Illustrated. ALLBRIGHT. Brilliant flame. 5' bush. Illustrated. AMBER QUEEN. Rich golden amber. 4' bush. ANDRE MENOU. Very bright pink. 4' bush. BASEBALL. New white 1957 Challenge Cup winner. Perfect - \$2.00. BETTY ANN. Delicate light pink. 3' bush. Illus. CELESTIA. Small pure white. 4' bush. Illustrated. CHALLENGE. Maroon with white tips. 5' bush. DARKEST OF ALL. Well named! Deep black red tiny blooms on 5' bush - 50c.

DORIA. Dark maroon small flowers on 4' bush. EFFECT. New pure red. 5' bush - 50c.

HELEN ANITA. Lavender pink with white center. 4' bush. Illustrated.

JOANNA PETTIT. Glowing salmon pink. 5' bush. JOE FETTE. Standard white. 5' bush.

LAURIE. Soft cream. 5' bush.

LIBBY ROHR. Wine purple. 5' bush. Illustrated.

LITTLE DAVID. Small burnt orange. 3' bush.

LITTLE DIRK. Bright pure pink. 5' - 50c.

LITTLE DOVE. Rosy orchid. 4' bush.

MARY MUNNS. Orchid lavender. 5'. Illustrated. MINNIE MELLS. Rosy mottled pink. 4 to 5 ft.

MORNING MIST. Soft orchid blush. 4 to 5 ft.

PATRICIA K. Light lavender pink. 4' bush. PEGGY ANN. Orange and gold. 6'. Illustrated. PRIDE. Low growing rich maroon. 3' bush. PURPLE GEM. Dark reddish purple. 3' bush. RED EYE. Gold with red. 4' bush. REGULUS. Violet purple. 4' bush. ROSA WILMOTH. Larger light pink. 3' bush. SHEILA. Red and yellow blend. 6' bush. TAKAS PURPLE. Royal purple. 6' bush. TAKAS YELLOW. Bright yellow. 5' bush. Illus. VIVID. Vivid red. 4' bush. WITKOPJE. Small white. 4' bush - 50c. ZONNEGOUD. Bright golden yellow. 4' - 50c.



BALL DAHLIAS

Ball dahlias are shaped exactly like the pompons, but have larger blooms, ranging from 3" to 6" across. Good for cutflowers and are very popular.

CALIFORNIA SCARLET. 4" scarlet. 5' bush	.40	PEPY. 4" blooms have an unusual combination of colors blended beautifully to-	
CHARLOTTE CALDWELL. 6" bright orange. 3' bush	.40	gether. There are tones of purple, pink and gold. Very attractive 4' bush	.7:
CLARA CLEMENS. 5" deep red with white tips. Blue ribbon winner. 4' bush	.75	SNOW QUEEN. 5" glistening white. 6' bush. Best cutflower in its class	.5
DAINTIBALL. 4" light rosy lavender flowers on 4" bush	.40	TIPPY. 5" golden yellow. Long stems on 6' bush	.4
KOCHELSEE. 3" bright red. Early blooming, 5' bush	.50	WILLY DEN OUDEN. 4" bright flame. 5'	

Entire Collection of BALL DAHLIAS \$4.75



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Extra special varieties in an outstanding collection.

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Hints on Cutting Flowers

It Has Been Proven! Dahlias Will Keep Up to 10 Days When Cut

"How do you grow your dahlies to get such long stems and why do they keep so long?" This is asked by most visitors to our shows. The answer is not necessarily in the growing of the plant. Here are a few basic rules we follow:

- 1. Large or small cactus and decorative blooms must be fully open before cutting. Young blooms wilt almost immediately.
- 2. Cut in the cool of the day (we prefer morning). Bring them indoors within a half hour, place stems in hot water out of the tap. Leave sitting in a cool sheltered area for 4 to 6 hours before arranging.
- 3. Use a sharp knife and **cut long stems**. The blooms will then keep longer and you will also prune your bush and assure better quality blooms later.
- 4. If odor from stems is an irritation try putting several drops (or tsp.) of Purex in the water when you arrange.
- 5. If growing for cutflowers select recommended varieties only.



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Fourteen fabulous varieties in collection offers you can't afford to miss. Sparkling red and orange, rich pink, pure white, and many other colors in this beautiful assortment. Hand selected by experienced dahlia personnel to bring maximum pleasure to your garden. Easy to grow, breathtakingly beautiful, sure-to-bloom tubers.

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"Bi-Color Beauties" ... a SWAN ISLAND "First Time Special"

Now for the first time we are offering a collection of these strikingly beautiful and different bi-color and variegated dahlias. Visitors to our garden in 1958 will remember the gorgeous spectacle of more than an acre of LOIS WALCHER in full bloom, a symphony of purple and white! The exotic color combinations of all these varieties bring "ohs" and "ahs" from all who see them. Light up that dull corner of your garden with these two-tone wonders. Select Quality A No. 1 tubers.





"SWEET SIXTEEN" Complete Dahlia Garden

A sweetheart collection of favorite pompon, cactus, and decorative dahlias collected from the far corners of the world. Varieties from Australia, Holland, Belgium, and all parts of the United States in a superb offer especially designed for the newcomer to dahlia growing as well as those who want a wide selection of colors and formations. A budget bargain for the thrifty shopper. Order today!

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Yellow — Shirley Red - Nellie Geerlings

2. Cherubino

5. Claire de Lune

"DWARF SINGLES FOR BEAUTIFUL BORDERS"

Left pink - Murillo Right pink - Pink Bedder

Here are eight choice dwarf flowering single varieties in these striking arrangements, easily duplicated in your own home. Ideal for landscape effects because of their low bushes and early and continuous bloom. Order all eight for a complete miniature garden. Bambino, Piccolino, Murillo, Shirley, Nellie Geerlings, Pink Bedder, Miniature,

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(See opposite page for complete descriptions)

JAPANESE BISHOP

"How wonderfully different," "Absolutely must have this," "Can use several more this year to complete our border," "Best little cutflower in our yard." These are some of the many comments made again this past fall by our customers. JAPANESE BISHOP has made many friends for us over the years, and is still ordered by more of our customers than any other dahlia we grow. Unique because of its luxuriant dark foliage (nearly black), and striking small red flowers. Blooms measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " to 3" across and are cut when the first row of pollen begins to show. Bush height is about three feet, ideal for hedge planting or as a foreground for taller growing varieties. Add real royalty to your garden with JAPANESE BISHOP.

75c each 6 for \$4.00 12 for \$7.50

Yellow - Minigture

Pink - Lullaby

SWAN ISLAND'S FAMED

COLLARETTE DAHLIAS—Excitingly New and Different

Although first introduced nearly 30 years ago, the greatest development of this type has come in the last few years. Public demand has grown so fast that we now plant severals acres of them, with more and more people discovering their dainty and completely different form. Ideal for cutting too, with a host of flowers on the best of stems all season long. Five of the best are pictured here, in this handsome and colorful collection.

ONE TUBER EACH OF

Cherubino, Claire de Lune, Libretto, Soestdijk, and Woody Woodpecker

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DWARF ANEMONES

HONEY (light one) and ROBIJN (dark one)

Petite dwarf anemone dahlias create quite a sensation at our shows, and understandably so. The tiny 2" to 3" flowers have a center like a "pincushion" when fully open, with a single row of outer petals forming a perfect frame for each "flower picture." Bushes grow from 18" to 24" in height, and are used beautifully in rockeries as well as for borders. Plant about one foot apart when using for borders. See page 17.



White - Bambino

Wine - Piccolino

NOVELTY DAHLIAS

Under this heading we include the new and different types which have become so popular the last few years — Collarettes, Singles, "Baby" Singles, and Anemones (anemone dahlias have a pin cushion center). They are something unique in the flower world and give your garden a quaint charm never before seen.



KOKETTE

IMPORTANT NOTICE to Northwest Gardeners — Because of our wet spring weather, we can make absolutely no guarantee on tubers requested for delivery prior to April 15. Give your dahlias a chance and wait till the ground warms up before planting.

WAIT!! — before pulling out the bush that you think has mosaic!! It may be insect damage, so first apply dust or spray. Water well, and of course be sure your soil has an adequate food supply. Give your bush a 30-day fair trial and be sure.

DO NOT use sawdust as a mulch on your dahlias UNLESS you add straight nitrogen to your soil at least 3 or 4 times during the growing season. Sawdust will stunt your bushes as its decomposition takes the nitrogen out of the soil.

AVANT GARDE (Collarette). Sparkling orange with yellow collar. A big favorite at our gardens. 4' bush\$.75
BAMBINO (Dwarf-Baby Single). Tiny pure white with yellow center. Very	1.00
CHERUBINO (Collarette). The perfect round flowers have ideal stems and a pure white color with a creamy collar. 3' bush. Pictured on page 16	.75
CLAIRE de LUNE (Collarette). 4" light yellow blooms with yellow collar. Stock limited — order early. 4" bush. Pictured on page 16	.75
COMET (Anemone). Deep velvety red with a pin cushion center of the same color. The 4" to 5" flowers have fine long stems. Blue Ribbon Winner 1958	
COTTONTAIL (Collarette). Dark reddish purple with white collar. Very early	1.00
FLORRISANT (Collarette). 6" clear light magenta with a white collar. One	.75
of the most admired dahlias at our fields and shows. 6' bush. Blue Ribbon Winner 1957 Oregon State Fair	1.00 .75
HONEY (Dwarf Anemone). Early blooming, compact, dainty little plants about 18" high covered with hosts of exquisitely delicate honey colored blooms. The outer petals are a soft rose shade setting off the honey colored pin cushion center. We disbudded Honey this past year and were well pleased with the results. The profusion of blooms on the plants caused the stems to weaken after the first month or so of blooming. Pictured page 16.	
JAPANESE BISHOP (Miniature Duplex). Rich red with a darker center. 2" to 3" flowers. Very unusual dark foliage, almost black. Very striking. Illustrated page 16. 3" bush	7.50
tip of each petal. Standout garden plant because of its early and free flowering habits. One of the best dahlias for arrangements. Highly recommended in all respects. 5' bush.	.75
KOMEET (Collarette). Bright red with a yellow collar. Fine new variety and heavily ordered by those who saw it in bloom. 4' bush	.75
LA CIERVA (Collarette). Deep purple with white edges and collar. Most popular collarette dahlia. Stock limited. Order early. 4' bush	1.00
LADY EILEEN (Dwarf Single). Bright scarlet pink with darker halo. Outstanding when used in mass plantings. 18" to 2'50 each, 12 for	5.00
LADY FRIEND (Collarette). At last a clear pink collarette with a good stem and fine habits of growth. All the ladies fell in love with this at our fields and shows. Unsurpassed as a cutflower. We had many blooms last a week. Blue Ribbon Winner 1956 Oregon State Fair. Plant more than one for a beautiful garden display. 4' bush	
LA GIACONDA (Collarette). Flaming scarlet with deep yellow collar. 4' LIBRETTO (Collarette). Deep velvety black red with white collar. 5' bush.	.50
Pictured on page 16. LULLABY (Dwarf-Baby Single). Tiny 1" pink with yellow center. A favorite	.75
for arrangements, too! Pictured on page 16. 12" bush	1.00
1" flowers on 12" bush. Pictured on page 16	
page 16	1.00
NELLIE GEERLINGS (Dwarf Single). 2" bright red on a 12" to 15" plant. One of the earliest of all dahlias to bloom. A border of this along our driveway	1.00
was admired by all. Very popular. Pictured on page 16	.75
Perfect for tiny arrangements. Pictured on page 16	1.00
PINK BEDDER (Dwarf Single). 2" clear light pink of a very beautiful tone. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. Pictured p. 16ea. 50c, 12 for	5.00
ROBIJN (Dwarf Anemone). Tiny purple with orchid and gold pin cushion center. Bushes rarely exceed 12" in height. A beautiful little novelty	1.00
SHIRLEY (Dwarf Single). Clear bright yellow with red halo around the center. Low 12" to 18" bushes with many flowers. Pictured on page 16	1.00
SNOW WHITE (Dwarf Single). 2" pure white on a plant rarely over 12" in height. Stock limited on this one so order early	1.00
SOESTDIJK (Collarette). Rich orange with yellow collar. Reminds one of Avant Garde, but blooms are somewhat more formal in appearance. 4' bush. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. Pictured on page 16	.75
SUNTAN (Collarette). A new shade in collarettes! Color is a golden apricot with pink undertones. Different and very beautiful. 4' bush	1.25
WOODY WOODPECKER (Collarette). Blood red to deep garnet with darker edges. The collar is red with yellow tips. A tricolor dahlia with best stems and prolific growth. Good cutflower. 5' bush. Pictured on page 16	1.00
ZOMERSON (Dwarf Single). 2" orchid pink with a dark red halo around the center. Unusual color combination. 18" bush	.75

World Famed Giant Decorative Dahlias

 $A-8^{\prime\prime}$ or more across. $B-4^{\prime\prime}$ to $8^{\prime\prime}$ across. FD-Formal Decorative. ID-Informal Decorative.

ALABASTER (A FD). Very formal 8" pure white on tall luxuriant 6" bush. A fine addition to the white formal class. Pictured on page 12\$1.00	\$50 GOLD (A ID). 10" pure gold, rugged 5' bush. Nice flower formation and good habits	.75
ANDRIE'S WONDER (A ID). Quite a striking dahlia! The unusual formation and coloring appeals to all dahlia enthusiasts. Our basket displays at our fall shows are fresh and "pert" even after three days, which is quite extraordinary for 10" blooms. The petals are a blend of salmon	FANTASIE (B ID). 7" yellow with each petal tip and edges brushed with red. Rather flat flowers are held erect on good stems and keep up to a week when cut. We think this is an improvement on the older Mme. de	
and pink with cream at the base. The petals in the center of the bloom are slightly curled at the tips with the outer petals flattening back to the stem. Visitors have questioned its being in the dahlia family because of its distinctiveness. You will enjoy this one even more when disbudded.	FLAMINGO (B FD). 6" carmine pink blended maize yellow. A good dahlia for the garden as well as for cutting. 5' bush. Frequently has up to 25 blooms on a plant at one time	.75
4' bush 1.25 ARC de TRIOMPH (B FD). 7" rich gold cutflower. Heavy blooming, 5' bush. Pictured on page 13	FOREMAN'S PRIDE (A SC to A ID). Fine new carmine red for the show table. Disbudded blooms easily reach 10" to 12". Stocky 4' bushes. We predict a great future for this one	3.00
ARTHUR GODFREY (A FD). One of the largest American introductions. The 10" to 12" immense flowers have a beautiful orient red color with orange shadings. Stems are strong and carry the flowers high above	FRANCES H. ARCHER (B FD). (Pictured on page 15.) 6" almost ball shaped lavender. Perfectly formed petals. Cutflower dahlia. 6' bush	.50
the foliage. 4' bush	GOLDEN LEADER (B FD). 5" to 6" pure gold cutflower on 5' bush. Ideal stems and flowers last up to a week when cut	.50
sensational! Huge 12" blooms on long stems. Free flowering 5' bush. We consider this the best yet in the informal flame class. Winner three blue ribbons at the 1958 Oregon State Fair	HOUSE OF ORANGE (B FD). 5" to 6" blooms of rich golden orange. Wonderful cutflower. Very popular. 4' bush	.75
BARBAROSSA (A FD). 8" bright red on husky bush. Produces many flowers on excellent stems. A standout in the garden. 4' bush	HUMORIST (B FD). 6" purplish red, usually tipped white. Luxuriant 6' bush with heavy dark green foliage. A good addition to this class	1.00
BLACKOUT (A FD). Perfectly formed 8" blooms of deep velvety maroon. Rich dark green foliage. A standout garden plant. 4' bush. Pictured on page 12	JERSEY BEAUTY (B to A FD). 7" to 9" rich pink cutflower. The "queen" of modern dahlias. Tall strong stems and a vigorous grower. 6' bush	.75
BLUE MOON (A ID). 10" to 12" lavender with purple florets in the center. 6' bush. Striking	KATHLEEN NORRIS (A ID). Large 10" light pink wavy petaled blooms are borne in profusion on a 5" bush. Good exhibition dahlia	.75
BURMA (A ID). 9" to 10" rich cinnamon on 6' bush. Very early and has an amazing number of flowers for such a large one. Pictured on page 12	KELVIN (A ID). Huge 12" tyrian pink with gold on the reverse of the petals. Free flowering 4' bush	1.00
CAROLINE KERNOCHEN (A ID). 8" creamy yellow with rose brushed to the ends of the petals. Flowers twist and curl. 6' bush. Pictured page 13. 1.50	LAVENDER PERFECTION (A FD). One of our most ideal dahlias! It has a vibrant color not normally found in lavender shades. The lavender pink flowers grow to at least 10" without disbudding and up to 13" if	
CHARLES L. MASTICK (A FD). 10" compact blooms of bronze with shades of orange to the center. Blooms are deep and very full, often appearing near round in shape. $4\frac{1}{2}$ ' bush. Pictured on page 15	disbudded. Winner at many trial gardens in Holland and a dahlia that is here to stay. Very healthy 4'-5' bushes. Two blue ribbons for best Formal Decorative entry 1958 Oregon State Fair	1.25
CLARIAM KELTON (A ID). Very large 10" blooms are a bright flame red with yellow shadings at the base of the petals. Stately 5' bush with long stems	LINDA LOU (A ID). Rich velvety red 9" flowers are borne in profusion on a healthy 5" bush. A recent introduction from Australia. Disbudding will produce spectacular blooms. Blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. Pictured on page 13	2.50
blooms of bluish lavender. 4' bush	LOIS WALCHER (A FD). Violet purple uniformly tipped white. Very	
COMPANION (A FD). A good new addition to the dahlia family. The 8" very formal blooms are a salmon and apricot blend. Stiff stems, with a healthy 6' bush. Good cutflower for its size. Pictured on page 13 2.00	striking garden plant. Heavily ordered by visitors to our gardens. 4' bush. Pictured page 14	.50
CROYDON MASTERPIECE (A ID). Widely acclaimed in America and Europe, as well as in its native Australia because of its wonderful vigor-	LUDWIG ENTRUP (A FD). 9" white with lilac shadings. Very delicate coloring. One of the best in its class. 5' bush	.50
ous growth and the tremendous size of its flowers. The color is a very attractive orange, with fine strong stems and an exceptional number of flowers per bush for a variety which grows so large. It has been an outstanding show winner every year and we recommend it without hesitation.	MAJESTAT (A ID). Enormous 12" flesh pink flowers, slightly tinted salmon with a darker reverse. Excellent stems and a huge 6' to 7' bush. Good show flower	1.00
12" flowers on sturdy 5' bush	MARGARET DUROSS (A FD). Vibrant deep golden bronze, with the 10" flowers carried well above the foliage on cane-like stems. Disbudded	
D'ARCY SAINSBURY (A FD). 10" best all 'round pure white for exhibition and cutting. Vigorous 4' bush. Still the most popular white75	blooms will be sure candidates for "Most Perfect in the Show." A personal favorite. 5' bush	3.00
D DAY (B FD). (Pictured page 15.) Beautiful 7" blooms of soft shell pink. Perfect flower formation. Excellent cutflower. 5' bush	MAUREEN CONNOLLY (B FD). 7" light yellow with very formal globular shaped blooms. Prize-winner in its color and class. 4" bush	1.50
DEEP VELVET (B to A FD). 8" deep velvety red to near black. Free flowering 5' bush	MAYOR FRANK OTIS (A ID). 12" coppery bronze. Has won many prizes for "Largest Dahlia in the Show." Very distinctive form. 5' bush.	.75
for cutting. 5' bush	MISS ELSIE JANE (B ID). 6" creamy pink. Petals twist and curl, giving it a striking appearance. One of the most beautifully formed dahlias of all time. 5' bush	.50
DR. EDWARD LISTON (A ID). A recent American introduction with well shaped flowers on fair stems. 9" apricot suffused light red. An early	MONARCH OF THE EAST (A ID). 12" pure gold. Strong stiff stems with flowers held erect. 4' bush	.75
EASTERN ECHO (B FD). 5" blooms of dark rose pink with deeper rose red flecks and stripes. Admired by all visitors. Sometimes comes with	MOROVSKA BESEDA (A ID). A very unusual color and form. 8" velvety scarlet with the inner petals being slightly rolled, showing on ivory reverse. Sometimes has a slight yellow edging to the petals. 4" bush	
ENCHANTMENT (A ID). A very large pink which easily attains 12"	MRS. GEORGE le BOUTILLIER (A ID). Rich maroon red up to 13½" across. Low sturdy 3' bush	.50
in diameter when disbudded. Very free blooming, and striking in the garden. Blue ribbon for "Newest and Most Perfect," 1958 Oregon State	MUSASHI (A ID). 10" reddish purple base with rose pink markings.	1.00

AGGEL'S SUPERB (A ID). (Pictured on page 15.) 10" light creamy ellow. Petals twist and curl back to the stem, giving the appearance f a huge yellow mum. Winner of Blue ribbon 1958 Oregon State Fair. ' to 5' bush	1.50	STELLA PLANERT (A ID). Wavy petaled blooms are 10" across and a beautiful glistening purple. Petals curl back to the stem. Flowers are held erect on long canelike stems. 6' bush	
IEW COUNTRY (B ID). 6" pure orange on one of the longest and trongest stems we have ever seen. Ideal cutflower. Highly recommended. Ilue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. 6' bush. Pictured on page 13.		of the largest dahlias ever grown and winner of many blue ribbons TARTAN (B ID). (Pictured on page 2.) A very exceptional and distinct new bi-color! Blooms are 7" to 8" across and are a rich velvety	.75
AIGHT EDITOR (A ID). 11" purple with silver reverse. Well shaped flowers are carried on fine stems, making it outstanding for exhibition. Two slue ribbons 1958 Oregon State Fair. 5' bush. Pictured on page 13	1.50	maroon with glistening white edges and tips. Flowers are globular shaped and nearly as deep as they are wide. Stems are strong and hold their flowers erect. We recommend topping this one so as to delay blooming until mid-September as the heat of the summer burns the	
OGDEN REID (A FD). 12" old rose on a well branched 5' bush. A real plant if disbudded. Sturdy, reliable, proven variety. Pictured on page 12. PINK SUTHERLAND (A ID). 8" light pink blooms have very long stiff	.75	buds. Disbud for maximum size. Awarded the Certificate of Merit in England and the 1956 Challenge Cup winner in Holland, blue ribbon winner 1958 Oregon State Fair. 5' bush	2.50
tems. Good cut flower. Naturally self-branching, with a healthy 6' to " bush. Heavily ordered at our shows	.50	THE REAL GLORY (A ID). 10" pure white on 6' to 7' bush. Has won "Best Dahlia in Show" and many other ribbons. Ideal for cutting or	1.00
RED AND WHITE (B FD). 6" striped fiery red and white. True to color. Good stems and holds up well when cut. 6' bush. Pictured on page 14	.75	exhibition and very popular	1.00
RED SPLENDOR (A FD). One of the finest large flowering dahlias for autting. The 8" to 9" blooms are a bright red and 3' to 4' stems can easily be had without damaging the bush. 6'	.75	bi-color dahlias if disbudded. A gorgeous dahlia. 4' bush	
ROSALIE GORDON (A FD). 10" carmine red with flowers very deep and full. Its free blooming habit makes it a riot of color in the garden. Dutstanding dahlia. 4' bush. Pictured on page 13	1.50	VARGAS GARDNER (A ID). Huge 12" blooms are a soft creamy white with a faint lilac blush on the center. Very popular. We recommend topping this one to get longer stems. Heavy blooming 5' bush. Blue ribbon	.,,
RUFFLED GIANT (A FD). 10" to 12" brilliant flame. Low 3' to 4' bushes are a solid mass of blooms. One of the largest and most beauti- ul dahlias in the garden	1.00	winner for "Largest and Most Perfect Dahlia in the Show" 1958 Oregon State Fair	
RUFFLES (A ID). 8" light pink with the petals ruffled and frilled as the name implies. A dahlia with real character, and beyond doubt one of the most beautiful in the entire garden. A personal favorite of ours. 5' bush. Pictured on page 13	1.00	VELVET WONDER (A ID). 10" reddish purple. 5' bush	
SANTA CLAUS (A ID). 8" orange red with white tips. Blooms early and profusely all through the season. Healthy 5' to 6' bush	.75	WANDA MEADE (B to A ID). 8" bright red with white tips. 4' bush. Blooms so profusely that later flowers are likely to have weak stems	
SELLWOOD GLORY (B to A FD). 7" to 9" purple with silvery white edging on the petals. Outstanding prize winner and excellent for cutting. Everybody's favorite. 5' bush. Illustrated on page 21		(disbudding helps)	
SIMOUN (A ID). A very flashy dahlia with 10" bright yellow flowers usually spotted and striped red. 3' to 4' bush. Pictured on page 14	1.00	the appearance of a huge curly ball. Won many blue ribbons. 5' bush. Illustrated on page 13	
SIR NIGEL (B FD). 7 " rosy lavender, sometimes tipped white. Flowers are very formal and curl back to the stem. Very popular at our shows. 4 " bush		WINIFRED STREDWICK (A ID). 10" wavy petaled pure white on rather low 3' to 4' bush. A sure fire prize winner if disbudded and given a little extra care. Blue ribbon winner Oregon State Fair	
SNOWSTORM (B FD). 8" pure white. Early blooming cutflower. 6' STELLAETTE (A FD). Tremendous blooms of a rich dark red on one of the best stems ever seen in a dahlia. 4' bush	.50	YELLOW SHOW (B FD). Very early bright yellow 6" flowers on good stems for cutting. This dahlia will produce best if topped when it is about 18" high. Heavily ordered at our gardens. 4' bush	

Miniature Decorative and Waterlily Dahlias



LILY BELLE (top), MUSETTE (upper left), ARABIAN NIGHT (upper right)
REEDLEY (lower left), HELLY BOUDEWIJN (lower right)

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ARABIAN NIGHT. 4" black red waterlily. Excellent new variety. 3'\$.75
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LILY BELLE. 5" delicate satin pink. Beautiful cutflower. 4'	.50
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are a mound of 4" flowers all season	1.25
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LITTLE DIAMOND (Light)
LOVELY LOOKER (Dark)

Dainty Miniature

SC — Semi-Cactus; IC — Incurved Cactus; StC — Straight Cactus. BB — 4''-6'' across; M — 4'' or less across.

ANDRIE'S	ORANGE (M SC). Still	one of the nicest
miniatures	for cutting. 4" orange	flowers have stiff
stems. Free	flowering 3' bush	

ANIMATO (M IC). Lovely 4" rose pink. Fine stems and
keeps well when cut. The incurved form is quite appeal-
ing. 3' bush

CHEERIO (BB IC). A very striking 4" to 5" Tyrian purple (plum shade) with tiny silver tips. One of the best cutflowers we have seen. Lasts better than a week when cut. Long stiff stems all season. Heavy blooming 4' bush. 1.00

DORIS DAY (BB IC). A nice addition to the smaller dark red cactus cutflowers. First blooms will be about 5", getting smaller later in the season. 4' bush..... 1.00

HESTIA (M SC to BB SC). Very pretty soft peach flowers that curl up daintily. First blooms are about 5", with later ones smaller. Heavy blooming 5' bush. Highly recommended for cutting.....

LITTLE DIAMOND (M StC). 4" blooms are pink with undertones of cream and lavender. Finely pointed petals. Free flowering. 3".....

GROWING DAHLIAS

6 PT. STAKE

PLANT after danger of frost. Hole about 6" deep. Set stake at planting time. Thoroughly mix in cup of bone-meal or rotted manure. Place tuber flat with sprout up. Cover lightly. Fill in as plant grows.

IF DRY, water well when you plant and give thorough soaking every week to 10 days after.

FERTILIZE with one good application of barn manure or several light applications of commercial (such as 5-10-10) when blooming.

CONTROL BUGS with DDT or Lindane for thrip, Leaf Hoppers, and cucumber or spotted beetle. Tobacco dust or spray for aphis. Malathion for Red Spider mites.

DIG DAHLIAS late in fall, usually after frost. Lift carefully and store in cool $(35^{\circ}$ to $50^{\circ})$ place, after cutting off stalk down to clump. Inspect monthly. If tubers shrivel, storage is too hot and dry. Mold can be controlled with ample ventilation.



LITTLE JEWEL (See page 19)

Cactus Dahlias

.ITTLE MERMAID (M SC). A very pretty tiny 3" white with small petals. Good cut flower and lots of flowers all season. 3' bush	0
OMBAERT'S VIOLET (M SC). 4" rich violet flowers on low 3' bush. Good cutflower	5
OVELY LOOKER (M IC). Small 3" flowers are an elegantly shaped salmon-red. Low 3' bushes have a mass of bloom all season	00
MARKET JEWEL (M SC). A beautiful dahlia with the shading and appearance of rich red velvet. Flowers are about 4" across and are produced in profusion. We have a select strain of this dahlia and are pleased to be able to offer it once again. 3' bush	00
MIDGET (Dwarf M SC). A new bedding miniature from Holland with bushes 2' or less in height. Free flowering, ideal for mass planting. Clear rose pink flowers 4" across	00
MONTAFON (M StC). Delicately shaded pale lavender with white undertones. Quite fascinating little 3" flowers which make up nicely in arrangements. The low 2' bushes are a gorgeous mound of color all season	75
PINK LADY (M StC). Bright pink 3" blooms are fine for exhibition. 3' bush	75
PINNACLE (BB SC). 5" bright red of especially attractive form, although some flowers showed "hard centers" in hot weather. A favorite of our visitors. 5' bush 3.	00
PREFERENCE (M StC). 4" fast growing salmon pink cut- flower. Bushes grow about 5' high and 2' across, with an absolute mass of blooms. Real pastel shading 1.	00
RED JOY (BB SC). 4" to 5" fiery bright red on ideal stems for cutting and arranging. One of the nicest additions to this color and class in many years. Early and free blooming. 3' bush	25
UNION (M StC). Lavender pink 4" flowers keep well	75



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MONTAFON — lavender CHEERIO - purple LOMBAERT'S VIOLET - violet LADY SUNBEAM - gold DORIS DAY - red LITTLE MERMAID - both whites

COLLECTION D-21A for only \$495



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SWAN'S "FAMOUS FIVE"

Giant Decorative Collection

Another fine collection of favorite varieties of large flowering decorative dahlias suitable for cutting as well as for color in the garden. SELLWOOD GLORY is so popular that it has a special competition in the PORTLAND DAHLIA SOCIETY SHOW. All have good stems and last well when cut. Remember to cut them when the blooms are fully open, or they will wilt almost immediately.

SELLWOOD GLORY (pictured) D'ARCY SAINSBURY - white

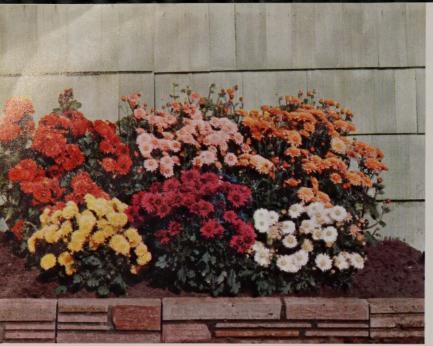
FLAMINGO - carmine pink MAUREEN CONNOLLY - yellow

HOUSE OF ORANGE- bright orange

(Complete descriptions on pages 18 and 19)

COLLECTION D-21B - only \$4.45

(Reg. Value \$5.00)



CUSHION MUMS

CHOICE CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Chrysanthemum plants will be shipped from April 22nd through June 4th. Plants will not be ready any sooner, so please do not ask for earlier shipment. We ship large, well rooted plants.

CUSHION MUMS

These attractive gay little mounds of flowers are among the easiest of all mums to grow and have no superior in the garden world for borders or large rock gardens. Marvelous for mass effects, they are also extensively grown as potted plants. Their early blooming habits delight the gardener in the North where fall storms frequently interfere with proper blooming of later blooming types. They can very successfully be left in one spot for several years with larger and more spectacular displays of glorious color as the plants become larger. Try some of these compact little beauties this year and use dahlias of a complementary color for background. 12" to 18" high.

WHITE - PINK - YELLOW - RED - PURPLE - BRONZE

6 Large Well Rooted Plants \$2.00 12 for only \$3.75

SPOON MUMS

These delightful mums remind one somewhat of a cactus dahlia except that the ends of the tubular petals flatten out in a tiny spoon. They are uniquely artistic and especially delightful for flower arrangements. In some varieties the spoon is the same color as the tube and in others there will be a variation in shade. Bushes average 3' to 4' in height.

YELLOW PUMPKIN WHITE BRONZE
5 for \$2.00 10 for \$3.75

EARLY ENGLISH MUMS

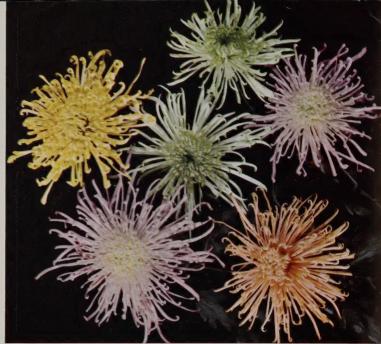
English mums have been gaining more in popularity for the last several years than any other type because of their early blooming habits and large flowers. With disbudding and proper feeding flowers 5" to 6" across can readily be had. Without disbudding flowers will still be substantially larger than those of other standard types. The plants in this well balanced selection are all grown from outdoor raised stock and will delight the connoisseur as well as the beginner.

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PINK



SPIDER MUMS

Now you can enjoy the magnificent beauty of graceful spider mums in your own garden! The large flowers have sharp quilled petals like a cactus dahlia, but with an open tip which curls up, making a hook on the end of the petal. With disbudding you can have flowers 6" or more across—just like those costing several dollars a dozen in flower shops. Blooming period from middle of October on.

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The blossom is the same as the camellia type except that the edges of the petals are of a different color. Very attractive and unusual. Will get a lot of attention in your garden. Large 2" to 21/2" bulbs only.

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FIVE OUTSTANDING VARIETIES

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RODEO

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